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A few more. Should have the others soon.

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**From:** Lee, Eugene  
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Nitin,

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**QUESTION 1. What do we do about all of the mines? How do we frame our efforts since 2005 related to GKM and what is our message about the broader legacy mining issues.**

## **Deliberative Process/Ex. 5**

**How does EPA monitor the maintenance and condition of mines and dams that are holding contaminated water?**

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**How do government mine inspectors do their jobs?**

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Is it accurate to say that the drop off in annual number of ‘construction completions’ (as illustrated here by EPA) is due (or due in part) to the lack of a dedicated revenue stream?

<http://www.epa.gov/superfund/sites/query/queryhtm/nplfy.htm>

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QUESTION 2: Is document (RFP) mentioned in Q2 something we have posted or have ready?

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QUESTION 7. Quick paragraph on the National Mining Team

EOC Response: EOC PIO defers to OSRTI

QUESTION 12. Need to clarify statements on irrigation vs livestock and BIA vs EPA role

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**From:** Cheatham, Reggie  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 15, 2015 8:04 AM  
**To:** Lee, Eugene; Ostrander, David; Ruhl, Christopher; Foster, Althea  
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FYI some of these should be fairly straightforward. A few are HQ centric. As you will see, this is a quick turn around.

Thanks

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**From:** Natarajan, Nitin  
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Thanks again all.

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1. What do we do about all of the mines? How do we frame our efforts since 2005 related to GKM and what is our message about the broader legacy mining issues.

2. Send copy of final RFP and highlight key section.

3. Send drinking water paragraph from the draft sampling plan
4. Breakdown of the \$1.1mil paid to ER through 5 September
5. What's the total cost breakdown NN as opposed to the rest of the response?
6. Are transfers similar to the Sunnyside to GKM transfer common with mines throughout the nation?
7. Quick paragraph on the National Mining Team
8. Confirm the location of the NN drinking intakes
9. Confirm the location of the Silverton drinking water intake
10. Confirm pre and post plume testing in Silverton
11. Confirm if pre-incident was sediment and water or just water.
12. Need to clarify statements on irrigation vs livestock and BIA vs EPA role
13. Can EPA request listing without a state/local request?

14. Can NN request a listing in another state?

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